

SUPPORT FOR THE AMENDMENT

Support for the amendment to claim 1 is found in claim 21 as previously presented. No new matter would be added to this application by entry of this amendment. No new issues would be raised before the examiner as applicants have merely rewritten an independent claim, in independent form. Entry of applicants' amendment and full consideration thereof at this stage of prosecution is respectfully requested.

Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1, 5, 9-15 and 20 will now be active in this application.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

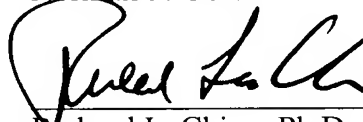
The claimed invention is directed to a hair styling composition.

Applicants wish to thank examiner Venkat for indicting on page 6 of the official action, that claim 21 was allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicants have now amended claim 1 to include all of the limitations of claim 21. The examiner is now invited to pass this case to issue.

Applicants submit that this application is now in condition for allowance and an early notification of such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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